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1. IN SPEECH DELIVERED AT OPENING OF MEDICAL EDUCATION CONGRESS IN BERLIN JUNE 4, GOVERNING MAYOR SCHUETZ CHARACTERIZED SENAT'S FIRST CONTACTS WITH GDR ON RECISION OF PRESENT CURRENCY EXCHANGE REGULATION AS "NOT VERY ENCOURAGING," AND SAID THAT HE DID NOT EXPECT SWIFT RESULTS ON ISSUE, NOTING THAT HONECKER INTERVIEW WITH AP (BERLIN 926) CONTAINED "BASICALLY NOTHING NEW" ON SUBJECT. SENAT, SCHUETZ EMPHASIZED, WAS NOT PREPARED TO MAKE "ECONOMIC OR OTHER DEAL" TO SECURE CANCELLATION OF DOUBLING OF EXCHANGE REQUIREMENTS.

2. GOVERNING MAYOR RETURNED TO MINIMUM-CURRENCY EXCHANGE IN COURSE OF LUNCHEON ADDRESS TO BERLIN UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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JOURNALISTS' ASSOCIATION JUNE 5, WHEN HE NOTED THAT SENAT COMMISSIONER ON VISITS WAS PREPARED TO MEET "AT ANY

TIME" WITH GDR COUNTERPART TO DISCUSS RECISION OF LAST NOVEMBER'S REGULATION. BY STRESSING THAT DOUBLING OF EXCHANGE REQUIREMENT HAD BEEN CONTRARY TO BASIS OF SENAT-GDR ARRANGEMENT ON VISITS, SCHUETZ AGAIN RULED OUT POSSIBILITY OF COUNTERCONCESSIONS BY SENAT. GOVERNING MAYOR ALSO ADMINISTERED SELF-CONGRATULATORY PAT-ON-BACK BY ATTRRIBUTING OSTENSIBLE CHANGE IN GDR ATTITUDE TO PERSISTENCE WITH WHICH HE AND SENAT COMMISSIONER-DESPITE CONSTANT GDR REBUFFS--HAD PROTESTED NEW REGULATIONS AND INSISTED ON THEIR RECISION.BORG

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